

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Consideration of the above-captioned application in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks is requested.

The Specification has been amended to refer to the priority applications and to conform the specification to U.S. patent practice.

Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10 and 14 are amended for clarification and to comport with U.S. claim style. Claims 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14 and 17 are also amended to remove multiple dependencies.

European style use claims 11, 13, 15, and 16 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

Accordingly, the claims pending and under consideration are claims 1-10, 12, 14, and 17-18.

Early favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance of claims 1-10, 12, 14, 17, and 18.

Respectfully submitted,

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